**************** The All-prevailing Topic

In wandering about the province just now, when crops are ripening and are at different stages of maturand are at different stages of maturity, one question we are more or less inclined to ask ourselves is, "has everything an individuality even land." We used to look upon certain materials as lifeless, to find out later that we, probably, were entirely wrong and think now that marble may be alive, also we know se with ourselves that metals become as with ourselves that metals become tired and need rest. Most old men know that to use a razor too long or too often is bad for it, and that when a razor has had enough work for a time, it is, like a tired man or for a time, it is, like a tired man of horse, the better for a rest, so comes out later with a renewed vigor after having been put away for a time to recuperate. It is said to be the same with metals in many cases.

COMPARISONS OF DISTRICTS
This leads us on to thinking, as
our thoughts drift off again to crops, that perhaps farmers have an individuality of their own, and we feet viduality of their own, and we feel certain, as we see new people coming into a new country, that though many may be experienced farmers they do not always, at a glance or from a cursory view, know the best land for certain purposes. In fact some quite old residents make glar some quite old residents make glaring mistakes, and is it not a fact
that the farmer that knows his own
land well gets the most out of it?
As we said before, as we drift about
the province just now, we cannot
help remarking how foolish it might help remarking how foolish it might be to generalize in regard to any particular locality, yet we hear so many uncertain districts boildly telling of the transcendent merits of their own district and unmercifully running down other districts. In view of what a little was known by most, even five years ago, and what a little is known now

and what a little is known now and what a little is known now, though much is beginning to dawn on many, would it not be rash to place a final dictum upon the pos-sibilities of any of our districts. The results in certain districts each year do not always depend upon the peculiarities of the soil alone, but depend in a great measure upon the weather that is most prevalent in a particular locality at the most criti-

This is a large province, and when I This is a large province, and when we compare results over its immense area, year by year, we may be in clined to glorify one district at the expense of another without stopping to consider that the climatic influences in each season are seldom the ences in each season are seldom the same two year running in any particular district, and what in one year may be reversed in the next.

may be reversed in the next. NORTH MORE ADVANCED THAN SOUTH

THAN SOUTH

It is usually supposed that the extreme south of Alberta will start barvesting earlier than, for instance, the Edmonton district, yet I stood in a winter wheat field in Clover Bar at the end of July that was yellow and was cut about the 10th of August. At the extreme south of the gust. At the extreme south of the province, a few days after being in the winter wheat crop at Clover Bar, I stood in others crops of winter wheat not nearly so far advanced as the Northern crops, whereas in many places on the way down and on the way back north it could be noted on the trail and out of the train that some winter wheat crops were behind, as to ripening, the spring crops. Of course this does not always happen but it is one of the curiosities of this particular season.

The North in many cases was eady for harvest before the south, argely because, though the season was backward all over the province. was backward all over the province, was backward all over the province, further north there was not a really poor growing day after spring once set in, whereas in the south it was cold and wet till very late, and though the growth is great in the south the farmers will have to wait a little longer for harvest. Another year this might be reversed so why

The Cross Channel Flight



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silke a portent from the say only a level parallel with the coast to lover, to the the ground leavely enough will be the condition. It ill an area grows as the phrase good, 1004-1907. "It is sean has certainly exempted from one or two year's experience, where the billion of the parallel with the coast to develop the parallel with the parallel with the coast to develop the parallel with the parallel with the coast to develop the parallel with t

portions. So when new people arrive in Alberta it would be fairer-to them, when seeking land, to ask of them what line of farming they prefer to follow and direct them to a locality noted for such and proved to be the right place, than it would be simply to say this is the best part of Alberta and naming others say-ing they are no good.

Unfortunately there is too much

Unfortunately there is too much selfishness in our procedure in our eagerness to corral every new comer out of whom we might make

ALL KINDS OF SOIL NEEDED

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It is a peculiar thing that at the present time some of the most valuable farming land in England is never ploughed up and is worth more for grazing than cropping and this in a country where every foot has its specific value. In another generation Alberta will be doing all sorts of things not dreamed of now and sattlers convice in will not turn and sattlers convice in will not turn. sorts of things not dreamed of now and settlers coming in will not turn up their noses at land with a bit of clay in it or a touch of gravel and a few stones. The man who believes in pure black loam soil that must be quite flat often obtains plenty of straw but the man who may have a bit of stone in his land may have the heaviest sheaves. It takes all sorts of soil to grow all sorts of crops and there are sometimes climatic differences, or different degrees in temperatures in localities close together peratures in localities close together which make the differences so apparperatures in localities close together which make the differences on apparent in our crops this year and for which we try to find reasons. And it is doubtful if at our present stage any absolute rules can be given as to the future, but, though at present there is so much to learn about Alberta, it is pretty safe to predict that a great Jeal more can be done in Alberta and with Alberta than many of our worthy friends have dreamed of in the past. But, perhaps, the worst libel and the most short sighted ever perpetrated was to dub a great part of Alberta as purely a semi-arid grazing country, especially when grain was even then standing heavily in small fields in different parts of that same district an object lesson but unheeded. These small tokens were better prophets of the future than the men that ruled, but who now will dare let y and energible by our feet. prophets of the tuture than the men that ruled, but who now will dare to try and carefully lay out for himself, and for the rest of us a programme for Alberta that will work exactly in the future any more than the programmes of the past

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we dropped in on some friend's of Harold's."—Life.

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When paint and powder are all lail. When paint and powder are all lail. When paint and powder are all lail. And the graudy tinsel no longer shines; and we find we find what we thought the blue of sky is just as false as the player's lines; When the mask is dropped, and we see at last. Beneath the smirk of the painted clown, when the smirk of the painted clown.

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Young Albertans, No. 22



to by Burk Walter Vernon Burgoine, 72 Boyle street. Age 4 years

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the last toot of the calliope is lost
in the distance.

"Aren't you ever going to give
up being a kid, and wanting to chase
to every half-penny, tuppeny show
that comes along," queried the
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price of a ticket to get in. What
do you want the family to be anyway? A lot of old fossils,
as I've got a leg to stand on, and the
price of a ticket to get in. What
do you want the family to be anyway? A lot of old fossils,
as I went:

"Pray don't be a gloom easterpress yourself up
As Peter Pan's Pirate,
Or Buster Brown's Pup,
Or little Miss Muffit,
Or old Mother Gosoe,
Take time to be foolish."

Arrived at the gates of
and, and peeping in at the, as yet,
half-put-together attractions I began
to wonder if the man in question
ousness after all.

It was all very well for the bands
to let go cestatically, and the drum
mers to pound heavily on the sheepskins, what I was after was to mingle
with the crowd and see the shows;
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JASPER'S NOTE BOOK

Continued from page Where in other years, there has been damage done to the grain, the been damage done to the grain, the government thermometers have al-ways shown frost. A report was published in the Edmonton paners to the effect that the minimum at Mac-leud on Tuesday was 31. This was evidently an error in transmission, as the actual figure was 51, which makes considerable difference.

The plan to have the radial rail-way ines, according to the Brutinel project, built under the Strathcona charter in the possession of the city of Edmonton, has fallen through, owing to failure to secure the owing to failure to secure the con-sent of a certain section of the share-holders of the original company. The projectors will, accordingly, have to apply to the Legislature for have to apply to the Legislature for a charter and have their agreement with the city revised. The first draft passed the council on Tuesday evening. It will follow along the same lines as the former one, time in September. We should duwith several modifications which, licate the welcome which was given on closer examination, appear very wise. We want the radial linest built and, not being in a position to modertake the work ourselves, are President of the Grand Trunk, and with several modifications which, licate he welcome which was given on closer examination, appear very him this week in Winninge Schwise. We want the radial lines tember will see many notable vision, undertake the work ourselves, are President of the Grand Trunk, and willing to give the company as liberal terms as are consistent with the eral terms as are consistent with the general interests. But nothing would be gained, unless under the agreement some assurance was given that the project would be fully ear. The different that the project would be fully ear. Association meets in Edmonton in ried out. Otherwise the company might simply use its powers to hold up others who would do something. So, according to the revised agreement, not only must the company have ten miles in operation within a year but in five years, 35 miles must be in operation or all privileges now granted cease. Other changes are granted cease. Other changes are also made, but until the draft is published in full, comment on these had better be deferred.

A public meeting is to be held for the discussion of the proposed franchise. It is objected by some franchise. It is objected by some that these public meetings never are largely enough attended to make it worth while holding them. This is not strictly true. When the citi-zens are very much interested in a zens are very much interested in a question, as they are in this, they have in the past turned out in large numbers. As an example, take that which was held at the time when the financial stringency threatened to tie up the city's operations. There was an overflowing attendance. Besides, even if the crowd was a small one, the statements of the members of the council are fully reported in the press and should, if properly made, give a much clearer and more comprehensive idea of the matters at issue than the of the matters at issue than the average citizen can secure by tryto keep in touch with munici-matters through the council pal matters through the council meetings. These general gatherings should be held more frequently. They can be made an excellent instrument in the cause of good city government by enabling the rate-payers to follw civic affairs more in-

Four by-laws will be voted upor on September 20, providing for an expenditure of \$321,000. The most of this is for the additional paving of this is for the additional paving programme. While the sums in-volved are large, the improvements are very necessary and will be of a permanent character. The trouble with most civic government is not that too much money is spent; but that too much is frittered away. that too much is Irittered away, with nothing to show for it at the end. In a place like Edmonton there are great public undertakings that we cannot shrink from and that of paving our main thoroughfares is one of the most important.

Stratchona is already launching out on its policy of improving its greatest asset, its river-side park. A winding board walk and a cir-cuitous drive-way, half a mule long. gout on its policy of improving its of greatest asset, its river-side park, and a chire of the final passing are to be built there immediately and a bandstand and seats placed in position. The present programme will cost but a small sum and will mean much to the people of the city of Edmonton are will be compared the position. The present programme is much to the people of the city of Edmonton are reveryed for all time for the public and that with the growth of population and that with the growth of population and resources, it can be utilized more and more.

The suggestion made in this column a week ago that Lord Strathcons should be invited to visit the Twin Cities has been acted upon



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C. ROSS PALMER,

C. ROSS PALMER, Returning Officer

been shined to-day. So here goes! The new-comer stepped over the side of the basin of the fountain, and wading in through the lilypads rescued the rubber hall for its distracted owner, who made off with it without so much of a word of thanks.

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THE MIRROR

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Mrs. Dickens had a tiny bridge of two tables on Monday afternoon, when Mrs. Charlesworth captured the very dainty prize, and Mrs. O'Leary, Mrs. Sunders, Mrs. Murton, Mrs. Balmer Watt and Miss Forsythe were the other invitees. A pleasant chat over the tea cups brought this enjoyable and informal little party to an end.

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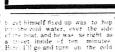
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Ah, poor MeBiff! To-day they hiss
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S.E. Kiser, in Chicago Record-Review.

In view of the discussion which took place in this department some time ago regarding Mike Kelly's idea that you could do anything in baseball to win provided you kept within the rules, no matter whether you violated all sense of fairness the Calgary Albertan is of interest, in showing that in this part of the world Mike's rule does not always buseball club, Mr. Hall Middleton gave a fine exhibition of real sports-manship last night at the Calgary baseball glub, Mr. Hall Middleton gave a fine exhibition of real sports-manship last night at the Calgary baseball glub, Mr. Hall Middleton gave a fine exhibition of real sports-manship last night at the Calgary baseball glub, Mr. Hall middleton gave a fine exhibition of real sports-manship last night at the Calgary baseball glub, Mr. Hall middleton gave a fine exhibition of real sports-manship last night at the Calgary baseball glub, Mr. Hall middleton gave a fine exhibition of real sports-manship last night at the Calgary baseball glub, Mr. Hall middleton gave a fine exhibition of real sports-manship last night at the Calgary baseball glub, Mr. Hall middleton gave a fine exhibition of real sports-manship last night at the Calgary baseball glub, Mr. Hall middleton gave a fine exhibition of real sports-manship last night at the Calgary baseball glub, Mr. Hall middleton gave a fine exhibition of real sports of the visiting hall team was under suspension because he had not paid a fine which had been imposed upon him some days ago. The manager of the Winnipeg team on the contrary maintained that the player was eligible. The unpire thank the contrary maintained that the game and wanted it very badly. We fine the player was eligible. The unpire that the contrary maintained that the game and wanted it very badly. We fine the player was eligible. The unpire thank the

The local strong men had their opportunity in the weight throwing contests and strangely enough each event had a different winner. Noil Melcan Caledonians, won the 16th shot put with Caweron a very good in the case of the cate of the

When Lloydminster came to Edmonton and played a tie game with the Caledonians in the finals for the Northern Alberta football championship, it was thought that when the game was played off in Lloydminster, the chances of the Callies would be small. But they won on Saturday by 1–0 and will snow go up against the winners in the Cal gary-Lethbridge game for the championship of the province.

Edmonton Rugby players reorganize this week and a good season is looked forward to. The Calgary Herald says:
"Rugby should be of good class this year, the city having a large number of very good players. Edmonton will be down again to trim us, as she has every year we have met her on the gridiron, but the local boys expect to spring a surprise on them. Burnham, the great half who played last year with Edmonton, susy they will have a much stronger team this year than last, a lot of new blood having come in. He states that he will not play this year, which will be a relief to the Calgary men who thought they would have to withstand his rushes again."

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Maguire has been appointed manager of the Cleveland baseball team in succession to Lajoie. But his name is James not Dennis.

The Western Canada baseball league jogs along in much the same old way. The public can hardly be expected to grow excited about the race for fourth place and that is the only close things tabt the figures much as good as won, while Calgary is hardly likely to overhaul Winnipeg for second.

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Everyone was very much shocked to hear of Mrs. Turnbull's accident to the first the Union Presbyterian Church picnic to Fort Saskatchewan on Monday. In the confusion generally incident to such affairs of boarding the train, her left foot slipped between the car and the platform, with the painful result of a surained ankle with some of the smaller bones with the painful result of a surained ankle with some of the smaller bones.

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